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PATHETIC EULOGY

Our readers have probably noticed that many men addicted to drink are Life is not mere living. It is service, it means sacrifice. It is to streggle on, able of great things, or blessed with a surpassing kindness of heart. All this may be true of those who contribute to the opulence of the liquor dealer. We are not chary of praise to those who are failures, but pleasant words do not fall so trippingly from our lips when men are alert and energetic and our competitors. The stress of action leaves them little time for verbal sweetness. For men who are positive must arouse rivalry and enmity betimes. Only the members of the "down and out club," the derelicits who are moored in the haven of the bar-room, [receive the eulogy that is at once pathetic and insulting.

A GOOD THING

Some parishes promise to abstain from intoxicating liquor during Lent in honour of the thirst of Jesus on the cross. This custom is productive of much good. It is an aid to the young man who admires him. We have of the surpass as a substantial citizen, exercises sometimes a baneful influence upon the words of the substantial citizen, exercises sometimes a baneful influence upon the words of the substantial citizen, exercises sometimes a baneful influence upon the volume man who admires him. We have suppose the surpass and to show what is called the "ideal the poung man who admires him. We have suppose the surpass and the surpass and the surpass and the poung man who admires him. We have suppose the surpass and the proper to a sense of its in substantial citizen, exercises sometimes a baneful influence upon the volume man tempted to a substantial citizen, exercises sometimes a baneful influence upon the volume man who admires him. We have some the surpass and the proper to the surpass and the properties the suppose the suppose the properties of kindly thoughts and actions. Every noble life leaves the fibre of it the treas the provent in the work of the treasmost which he is to preach in that there would desire the provent had the provent had been and indulgent friends, but we dear the fibre of its three there is cipients of eulogy of a melancholy

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young man who admires him. We have even no hesitancy in saying that the example of the "moderate drinker" is no inconsiderable factor in the fashioning able and dangerous period the young man took his first glass because the moderate drinker encouraged him by his example. Little by little he bound himself to the flowing bowl by the chain of habit and became not a moderate drinker but a drunkard. But if that moderate drinker had hidden his self-in-

WHERE ARE THEY?

graduates all over this country. Dowerand ought to contribute their quota to though at times this is not so visible way of making a living. as it might be. This struck us forcibly, not so long ago, at a meeting called to discuss certain schemes that pertained to the common weal. The non-Catholics turned out in force, but the brethren has not only a source of consolation and who had been trained in philosophy and strength within himself, but he can do cial problems were not so numerous as umny and by exposition of the faith. not one of them had a word to say. Perhaps they were modest or timorous, but these days of the inexpensive publications of the Catholic Truth Society. the world the benefit of our principles, there is the Catholic Truth Society's series of the Lives of the Saints. These knowledge but we break down prejudices and erect a barrier to slanderous charge and accusation. To stand aloof means indifference to our opportunities. It is of little moment to others to proclaim that we can solve present-day problems, if we make no effort to prove that we are not inane boasters. True, indeed, that we have the past ages of the Church to inspire many a glowing panegyric, but we should make our own history by showing that we also, stimulated by the example of our forbears, are eager for service that may redound to the welfare of our fellow-citizens. We should be ready to give time to the the worthiest citizens, seeking for love of God to do good to all men.

NOT PROMINENT

We have noticed, also, that the college graduate is not as a rule, prominent in things parochial. He could render valuable assistance as a catechism teacher, etc. When, however, an se or work, the graduate is either deaf or asleep or held back by an overwhelming sense of modesty. But surely he can see that a trained mind would be a notable ally of his pastor. And he ought to know that his duty as a Catholic is not fulfilled by an attendance at dance and bridge parties. Sometimes these graduates avoid Catholic societies, these graduates avoid Catholic societies, presumably, we suppose, because all the members are not quite convinced that sartorial decoration is the chief busi- particular.

ness of life. We should not wish to designate these graduates as such a tint they are poor advertisements for any college and are on the way that leads to where manhood is not. Doing good, especially to those of the household, is pasport to success here and hereafter. Life is not mere living. It is service. It means sacrifice. It is to struggle on department to the treasure throw the country to the control of the lidy Name, Marching the president of the lidy Name, Marching the presid

sing the was made when they have a public option in in freed with a public option in in freed with a public option in the public option ye 7 man might have been saved to society and the Church. community. And the wonder is that men blessed with brawn and brain can We must have by this time college right-minded citizen; and we suspect ed with a liberal education, they can be better satisfied if he were bent upon the betterment of the community in Catholic engaged in the business may which they live. They are, we presume, be induced to abandon it as soon as not laggards in the cause of their fellows, he can and to embrace a more becoming

were credited with a knowledge of so- much for the Church by refuting calwhatsoever the cause they emitted no This society can furnish knowledge of ray of light to the discussion. In our the Church, of the social questions that opinion, this is not a wise policy. We press for attention, of the many things should welcome any opportunity to give that should interest the layman. Then because by so doing we not only increase series of the Lives of the Saints. These should be ready to give time to the saints are the reproduction and enforceservice of the community in which we live, because as Catholics we should be not so much in the painted or sculptured image of the crucifix that the Passion of Christ is kept before the eyes of the world: it is in the lives of Christ's heroic

foundations of that Church, but he knew from the fact that they were at that moment supporting the building that they were there. He could not see the front of the great west door of that church opening out on the great atery of their city, but seeing the inside he inferred that there must also be another side. Yesterday he did not see the bril-liant contest on the football ground, but from the numbers of records representing. world: it is in the lives of Christ's heroic followers. The reading of the Lives of the Saints may, therefore, be warmly recommended as an education in Catholic principles and Catholic ways. All who can read ought to devote some time to this kind of reading. It is useless to plead the many demands on our time We all read much that is useless if not debasing. We all our mind with the silliest stories. But it is certain that if we desire to bring up a generation of well-informed and intelligent Catholics there is hardly any better way of doing so than to interest them in the Lives of the Saints.

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and A. J. Balfour, ex-premier and leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, declined to make any comment on the probability of Home Rule refusing to break the iron-clad tradition against cabinet members giving an interview.

Of the cases thus handled, 147 referred to secular priests; to religious, 73; to Catholic laymen, 32; to Catholic laymen, 32; to Catholic laymen, 32; to Catholic laymen, 32; to religious, 73; to distribute to how amid a long list of valuable Irish reforms achieved by hard labor during the past twelve years, they had met year by year at this statistics, 13; to historical falsehoods, 45; to ecclesiastical conditions, 53; to missions, 9; to Lourdes, 12; to Catholic teaching and practice concerning matrimony, 15; to sacerdotal celibacy, 22; to Jesuits, 12; to superstition, 18; to Los-pon-Rom stories, 46; to conversions, 8; to Freemasons, 21; to the Centre party and elections, 31; to relics, 75; to convent stories, 93; to schools, 26; to other subjects, about 100.

the Nationalist party are ready for cooperation in testing to the uttermost Mr. Asquitt's Home Rule pledges. He is certain to offer a considerable measure of devolution next year if his bill abolishing the Lords' veto can be forced into law this session. Therefore, Mr. Redmond and the members of the All-For Ireland party are entirely at one in supporting the bill.

"The difference between us is that Mr. Redmond's friends believe that the veto bill and Home Rule bill can best be carried by constituting the Irish party for all purposes and at any cost to Ireland in other matters, a wing of the

now they may break down the prejudices of non-Catholics and let them see the truth and beauty of the Catholic recently by the Right Rev. Bishop Aldering in a sermon delivered at Fort Wayne should prove useful to them. Preaching on the importance of the Catholic press, the Bishop, after pointing out how great is the avalanche of unspiritual and secular publications, said: Given the opportunity, the Catholic press will make converts. It rests with you to give the Catholic press that to popportunity. It is related of a certain large parish that it has every year hundreds of converts. The priest of that parish has for years distributed books, magazines, pamphiets, leaflets, and so forth, broadcast. In some cases he has subscribed for Catholic papers and had them sent to non-Catholic friends. His parishioners have learned from their pastor. distributed books, magazines, pamphlets, leaflets, and so forth, broadcast. In some cases he has subscribed for Catholic papers and had them sent to non-Catholic friends. His parishioners have learned from their pastor. They are with him in mind and heart, and, like him, are convert-makers. There should be a Catholic paper in every Catholic family, and it would be well if every member of a Catholic society had to be a subscriber to a Catholic journal as a condition of membership." We think it may be safely said that if Catholics acted in the spirit here suggested the number of converts would be at least twice as large as it is.

CATHOLIC NOTES

The foundation of a new church to be built as a monument of the Eucharistic Congress held at London last year, has been laid in the garden of the Blessed Thomas More's old house at Chelsea, England.

Frank Spearman, the author of the famous "Whispering Smith," is a convert, and resides at Chicago. Scribner's, we are told, are about to bring out his first Catholic novel. Up to the present Mr. Spearman's pen has busied itself only along secular lines.

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During the recent visit to South Africa the Duke of Connaught, uncle of King George V. laid the foundation stone of a Jesuit College at Bulawayo, and in an address said some very flatter-ing things about the influence of the Society of Jesus for civilization.

With the approval of the Cardinal Archbishop of Lyons, a monthly Mass has been founded in France for the purpose of invoking the blessing of God on the Catholic press and securing for every Catholic family a clean, honest, Christian paper.

The Christian work and Evangelist, a The Christian work and Evangense, a non-Catholic paper, admits that the Catholic Church alone is fighting the divorce evil. "Everybody knows," it adds, "that two-thirds of the legally required causes are nothing but protexts

In recognition of the services of Professor Monaghan to the Knights of Columbus, that organization is inviting its members to contribute toward a testimonial. It will be remembered that Professor Monaghan was stricken down while engaged in lecturing for the Knights of Columbus.

The New York city aldermen's law committee has announced a public meeting to be held at the city hall on the ordinance introduced a short time ago by Alderman Mulhern prohibiting profanity on the stage of the city. The proposed ordinance provides for the reproposed ordinance provides for the re-vocation of the license of any theatre in which a play profane in text is used.

erous volunteers who left Cork in September, 1859, to defend the Papal postemper, 1859, to defend the Papai pos-sessions against the army of Garibadia. Mr. Roche was the holder of a parch-ment certificate, and a medal from the late Pope Leo XIII, and last summer he received a medal from Pope Pius X.

The Bishop-elect of Dallas, "xx., the Right Rev. Joseph P. Lynch, was a lawyer before he became a priest. He was engaged in the practise of law at the time the late Bishop Dunne was looking for volunteers for his diocese. Under the Bishop's induence he began to study for the Church. He was ordained at Kenrick Seminary, St. Louis, about eleven years ago.

Prince Max, the humble priest who has repented of his errors, has resumed his lectures at the University of Friburg. He betrays no desire to take further action in uniting the East and the West. The action of Father Max in

merit from the hands of Divine Justice, Right Rev. Bishop Hartley is greatly pleased to be able to announce that during the past year 264 converts were received into the Church in the diocese of Columbus, Ohio. This is a splendid record of missionary zeal and labor on the part of the devoted clergy of his diocese. It has been contributed to by every parish, and every pastor in the diocese has a certain percentage of the grand total to his credit. — The Missionary.